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FM AMEMBASSY GABORONE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 5566

INFO AMEMBASSY MASERU

AMEMBASSY MBABANE

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SUBJ: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO NEW LESOTHO FOREIGN MINISTER

REF: MASERU 783

1. AS REPORTED REFTEL PRIME MINISTER JOHATHAN ANNOUNCED APPOINTMENT JOSEPH R. L. KOTSOKOANE AS LESOTHO'S NEW FOREIGN MINISTER. KOTSOKOANE SWORN IN JULY 9.

2. KOTSOKOANE HAS HAD CONSIDERABLE GOVT EXPERIENCE. HE HAS BEEN HIGH COMMISSIONER LONDON (1966); PERMANENT SECRETARY FOREIGN AFFAIRS (1969); PERMANENT SECRETARY HEALTH AND EDUCATION (1970); PERMANENT SECRETARY AGRICULTURE (1971); HIGH COMMISSIONER, NAIROBI (1972).

3. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO U.S. POLICY OBJECTIVES IN LESOTHO IF SECRETARY KISSINGER WOULD SEND KOTSOKOANE A MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS THROUGH EMBASSY MASERU. IN PARTICULAR SUCH A FRIENDLY GESTURE WOULD HELP INSURE CONTINUED LESOTHO SUPPORT FOR U.S. POSITIONS ON CRITICAL U.S. ISSUES. WE UNDERSTAND THAT OTHER DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS MASERU RECOMMENDING THAT THEIR FOREIGN MINISTERS SEND SIMILAR MESSAGES.

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